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Hey, Boomers!

Hope you're having an Extremely Excellent Easter! You must be enjoying it more than Sonic is, judging by this issue's cover! Doctor Robotnik just loves this time of year.

On the menu for STC 23 is a free starter set of Panini Eternal Champions stickers. Inside is a chance for

100 Boomers to win the complete set of E.C. stickers - plus an album to stick them in. Its an

opportunity no Champions fan can resist.

Meet Captain Plunder and his Pirates of the Mystic cave in this issue's Sonic story. He's major trouble for Sonic as we unfold one of the most amazing Sonic stories

is really like? Well, propare for Sonic's World, a mega new series starting in STC 25. Also featured in STC 25 - a hard-hitting new Streets Of Rage story. More about this next issue. Meanwhile, sneak a peak at this issue's back cover for a tantalising teaser of the action to come.

Enough, already. You're probably hyper enough on all that Easter Egg chocolate as it is. Cool your jets until the next

energised issue of



Missed any of STC's sensational Sonic The Redgehog stories? Now's your chance to catch up with the Spiked Wonder in two new Sonio books from Ravelte Books. Each book contains four classic Sonic stories from past issues of STC, printed on high quality paper and with glossy card covers.

BOOK 1 - BEATS THE BADNIKS

Contains: 'Enter: Sonic' (STC 1), 'Robofox' (STC 2), 'Mayhem In The Marble Zone' (STC 3), and 'Day Of The Badniks' (STC 4).

BOOK 2 - SPIN ATTACK

Contains: 'Attack On The Death Egg' (STC 6), 'The Origin Of Sonic' (STC 8), 'Back To Reality' (STC 9), and 'Megatox' (STC 10).

Revette Books have offered STC, 25 copies of each book to give away FREE to the first 50 Boomers who write in. Simply write your name and address clearly on a postcard or sealed down empty envelope and post it to:

CATCH UP WITH SONIC, Sonic The Comic, 25-31 Tavistock Place, Landon WC1H 9SU.

All entries must arrive by 30th April 1994 (the correct closing datell. The first 50 pulled out of Robotnik's old Death Egg will each receive one of the Sonic books (sorry, no choices). For those who can't wait that long, Sonic The Hedgehog Books 1 and 2 are now on sale at all good bookshops, price £2.89 each.

Coming soon from Ravelle Books: Streets Of Rage and Shinobi. STC will be giving away free copies in the next issue!

To all those Boomers who were hoping to see he new STC Back Issues Service this issue hold on! Last minute fine tuning of the service means we have postponed its appearance until

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All the chart action for all the Sega systems in every issue of STC.



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new entry



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Ever wondered what Sonic's planet, Mobius,

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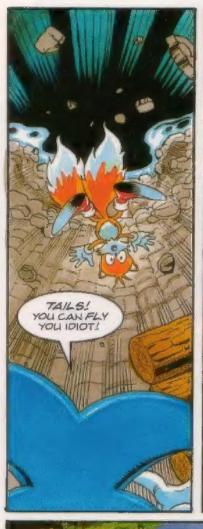






















REVIEW Zone

Enter the zone that brings you reviews of all the new releases for the Sega game systems. STC Reviewers this issue: David Sibbon & Vincent Lows.

C.J. ELEPHANT FUGITIVE

game type: PLATFORM 1 PLAYER





Master System





Game Gear

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under 40% - Yawnsville

40 - 70% - Normalsville

70 - 80% - Fun City

80 - 90% - Big Time City

over 90% - Mega Cityl

C.J. Elephant Pugitivel is your basic platform game

whose the objective is to return C.J. to his hard in Africa. As C.J. was elephant-happed from his family and placed in an English 200, your mission is to guide him from London, around Europe and eventually return him to Africa.

The game comprises of six worlds, each consisting of three levels and an end of level boss. When in London you find yourself having to contend with stroppy businessmen and overhead attacks from piezons with the usual digestion. random to increase your energy levels. There is an unlimited supply of paenuts to shoot the baddies with, plus a small amount of elephant head bombs, C.J. is also armed with a macho-style umbrella which helps to cushion any long falls!

The enemies and scenery which leature are relevant to the specific countries; you see the Effel Tower in Paris and get to light off enalls and hopping frags, while in Catro there are the ancient pyramids and nasty mummins

as it's all been done before. - DG.





ALADDIN



game type: ACTION

If you enjoyed Disney's film Aladdin you'll be thrilled with the game on the 8-bit Master System, as it closely follows the movie plot. Aladdin features you in the lead role and Princess Jesmin reliving the some scenss but with special interludes that are directly from t film with the same lexit

The first stage of Aladdia features you bei chased by a guard for stealing bread from a stall. You have to dodge the dreaded cittathes

the guard as you leap over barrols and holes an avoid high and low flying snake.

The other plages have you leaping across coolings, flying on a magic carpet, travelling in underground passages and the palace itself.

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game type: ACTION



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ANCIENT ARTS OF MAGICK. PALTRY FIGHTING ABILITIES, YOUR DEFEAT WILL BE SWIFT F GHTER GOOD POINT, XAVIER, BUT THESE GUYS STILL PACK SOME PRETTY FANCY RAY GONS.









NEWS Zone

A CART BUILT FOR FOUR

J-CART BRINGS FRIENDS TOGETHER!

Playing Sega games on your own can be entertaining, but for a laugh and a half of ful cream fun there's nothing tike taking on a friend - or three Unfortunately, there are very few multi-player Sega games around The tem that are avaliable can only be enjoyed by more than e vod boy it atsyald owl special piece of hardware lauch as Sens a Murti-Tap or



in the court occurs, a cart

Electronic Arts' 4-Way Play, at a cost of £25.00 and £20.00 respectively So far only Tengen's Gauntiet IV works with both adaptors

But wait! Codemasters have announced J-Cart for the Mega Drive Every J-Cart comes with its own built-in four-way p by facility, so as long as you have the friends [and Control Pads] you can enjoy the thrills and spilts of multi-player action - and ail for the price of the standard cartridge.

The first J-Cart release will be Tennis All-Store in May. Two other J-Cart titles in production are Micro Machines 2 and Psycho
Pinball for release later thus year

The 4-Cart adapter can t be used with say other cartridge, but the fact that a four-player option comes tree with certain Codemasters dames shouldn't be sneered at



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STORMS THE ANCHOES

THE FUTURE OF SIMULATED COMBAT?

Have you seem bega's Virtue Aighter in the strands yet? Weach! It's some mean machine perhaps the best one-on-one combat simulator yet. What makes Virtue Fighter stand out from the Street Fighter if crowd in its television-like presentation. The eight characters are built from polygons, which makes them look as though they are curved from wood, but their movements are amazing! It's a new level of realism, A 'cameral tollows the action and somehou it manages to zoom in and out and pan around to present a film like view without over guiting in the way.

The fighters are as follows. Akira is best described as a Ryu-like character, Kags is a winja, Pai's a eart of Chun Li-ish type, Jacky's a bloom spiky-haired chap, Jeffry is bearded with dreadtecks, Sarah's a lean, meen lady, Lav's is despicable-looking dude with a moustache and a pony-tail, and Wolf has pointy testit;

Control buttons have been kept to a minimum one for punches, one for kicks and one for detence—that many different combinations will possible. The characters all have their own variations of half-a-dezen or so special moves [such as a throw and the ability to jump on stallen appearent - a sight to behold!) plus their unique 'powers'

A conversion of Virtua Fighter for begans new super-duper Saturn machine is happening rights now, and it's said to be almost as good as the arcade machine! A Maga Drive version will only be considered if Virtua Racing is successful where it's released this month (some technical expertable pandies that is would have to be priced at almosts

£100 to cover the cost of the Segnarios of the Segnarios of the contridge, which helps the Mega Drive run the 3D shape stuff at a playable speed).

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PLUG IN AND PLAY?

S A 'UNIVERSAL' VIRTUA CART ON THE WAY?

Some The Comic would newer stoop so low as to blow mere speculation put of proportion for the sake of a story. But here is a morsel of gossip that we hope has tallen from a verifable banquet table

Rumour has it that Sega has been considering the possibility of releasing Virtua Racing as a plugbrough cartridge. This would mean Sega selling a special cartridge featuring the new

sega Virtua: Processor (used to drive the 3D polygon shapes), then the Virtua Racing artridge - and theoretically further Virtua releases - would be purchased separately and plugged straight in to the SVP cartridge. Obviously, there would be an extra one-off cast for the SVP cartridge, but it would mean that the price of Virtua Racing - and absequent polygon-based releases - would be kept to a more desirable level (see Virtua Fighter item).

The bad news is that the plug-through approach may not be implemented because if pension the possibility of other development teams utilizing Sega's technology for their own polygon-driven games. That said, the potential for decent 3D games could attend the life of the Mega Drive, especially when you consider that publishers are pready turning their attention to Sega's new Saturn machine. Existing polygon-based ames such as LHX Attack Chapper and Hard Driving, which are slow and clumey, would enefft enormously from the extra processing power (though those titles would be rewritten).

Fingers crossed that Sega plumps for the prog-through system.

SHORT BURSTS



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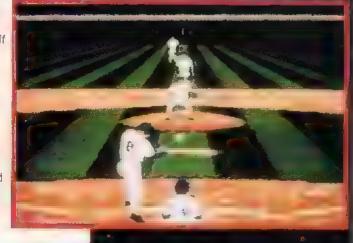
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Finally, from Acclaim for the Mega Drive in September, there's Stargate which is based on the new sig-budget science fiction film directed by Roland Emmerlich (anyone remember the terrible 'Moon 44'?) starring Kuri Russell as a futuristic soldier.

BONY'S SOCCER SOLACE

Sports fans who are sick to the back tooth with World Cup accessored with may nick to seek sphere in yet another addition, the already oversubsoribed Baseball and American Football scenes was a factorist of salinning is releasing SSPN Baseball Tenight and SSPN Baseball Tenight and SSPN Baseball Tenight and Maga-GD this month. Both simulations feature 28 teams of digitized athletes plus full language seesons and teamments, and unique footage and commentary from the ESPN pears and another than the ESPN pears.

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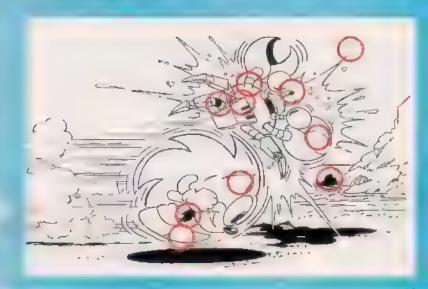


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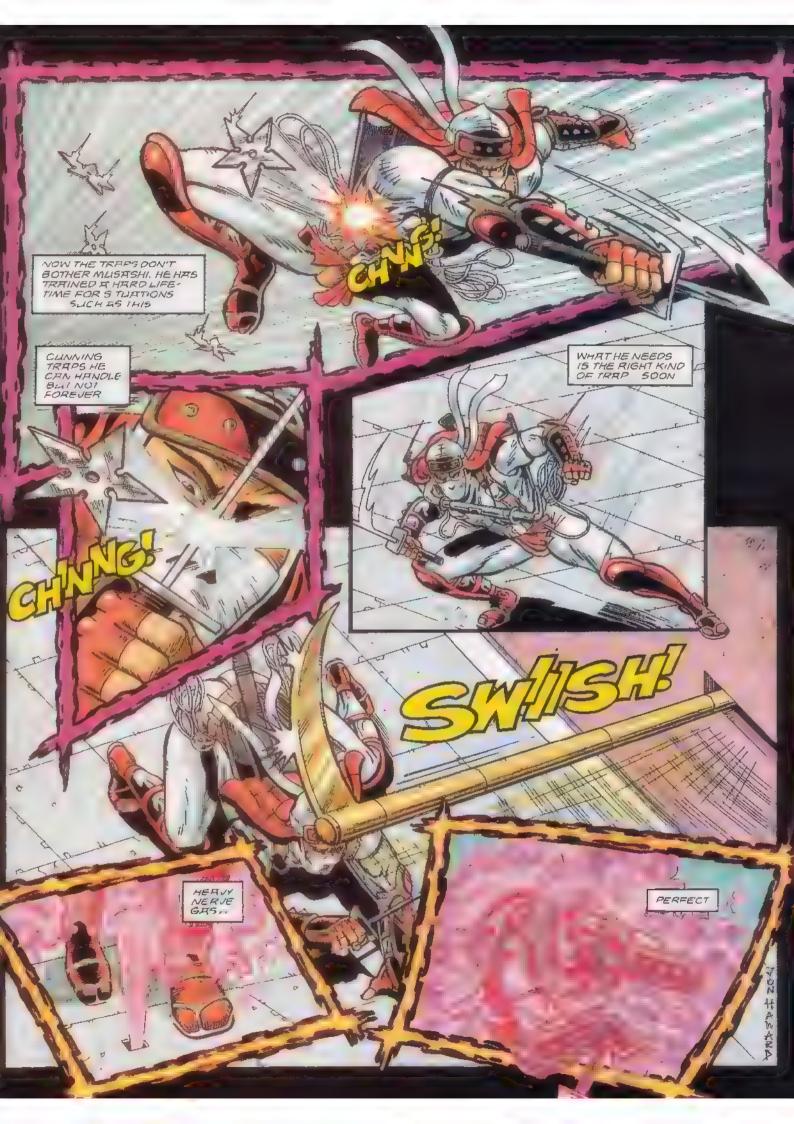
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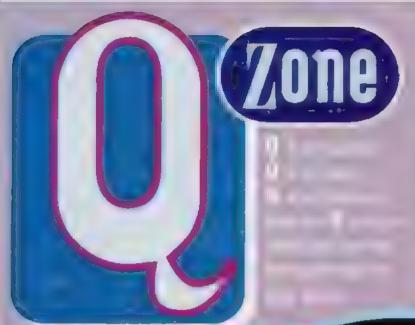


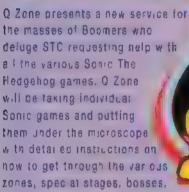












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Part 1 - THE ZONES

TURQUOISE HILL ZONE

ACT 1

An easy course to start you off

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- Two pairs of Sonic sinew Rocket Shoes
- · Hidden TVs with Invencibility and an Extra
- A Mobile Strip
- · A high leage that leads to a secret heard of four TVs conte ning rings.

Things to watch out for. -

- Spring Shails which bounce you upwards and usually into a sneaky Buzz
- A Hidden passage that drops off ento.
- · Springs hidden in the ground that suddenly push you up when you walk over them
- . Spitaful spikes that pop out of the ground
- · Stingers that to ter in mid-air ust waiting to let you have 41





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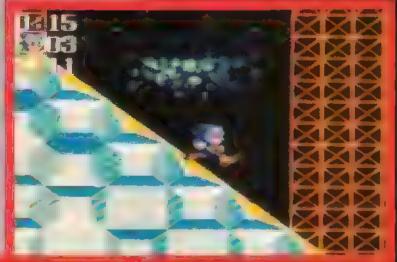
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SLEEPING EGG ZONE

ACT 1

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ACT 2

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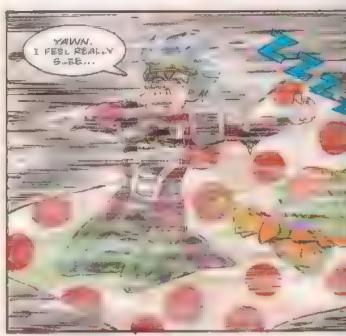




















SPEEDLINES



lash off a letter, draw a quick sketch. In short, sound off

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Thanks Carls for your diday Even though it was quite bitty Until the next time that you write I'll keep your memory borning bright.

ow Much | s | hat | line | n | he...?

I have a query about the price of the Jurassic Park MD game that was reviewed way back in issue eight. of STC. In the review the price was quoted as £29.99, but I have seen it in the shope for £49.98. I am sure If is the same game so which price is right?

Sally Antell, Castle Cary, Somerset.

Sonic Water Fun Game Winner,



£49.98 is the right price. Those humes-who-think-they're-in-charge claim that the prices after occasionally. Typical huma excase, if you ask me Sally.



alm Palmer

I thought that the Yaits strip: The Land Beyond was cool, but was disappointed when it finished in Issue 21. Also, I thought you might be interested to know that whenever I get angry I road your comic and it calms no down.

Micholas Paimer, Compton, Surrey. Sonie Water Fun Game Winner. P.8. I've enclosed 10p for Megadroid.

As much as it pains me, please refrain from sending manay, as it only gots pillered by the editor whois saving up for a holiday to Bridlington.

(focidentally, he assures me that Talks will return.)



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have been an avid reader of yours since issue three and have Inund STC to be the best magazine I've seen. The only problem, however, is your letters page. You have pointed out that there isn't evough room to print every letter and yet sometimes. you make up your own letters, claiming they to from Douter Robotnik,

Alan Bracks, Statchiey, Millon Keynes. MD owner.

Sonic Water Pun Came Winner.



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